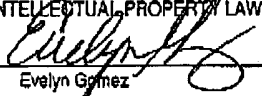


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Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action (hereinafter, "Action") mailed June 25, 2004, which specifies a shortened statutory period for reply of one month.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Action restricts claims 1-77 of the subject application into two groups, namely, Group I (claims 1-45) and Group II (claims 46-77). The Action does not include any species election requirements.

Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute the invention of Group I (claims 1-45).

CONCLUSION

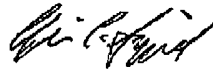
Applicants respectfully submit that this response to the restriction requirement is complete and responsive, and that the claims are in a condition for early consideration on the merits.

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